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SUPPLEMENTAL RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

This is a supplement to the Response to Restriction Requirement filed on or about April 25, 2005, as requested in the office action dated July 12, 2005. The most recent office action clarifies that a single species must be selected from each of the two Groups of claims identified in the restriction requirement mailed March 24, 2005.

The April 25 Response elected, with traverse, the claims 1-41 of Group I. Now, claims 4-15, 17-19, 21-25, 27, 32-34 and 38-41 of Group I are further elected as a species of Group I. Examination will be confined to this elected species only to the extent that no generic claim within the elected Group I is found allowable. If a generic claim within Group I is considered patentable, the entire elected Group must be examined.

Claims 4-15, 17-19, 21-25, 27 and 38-41 all explicitly include an adjustability limitation. Claims 32-34 implicitly include an adjustability limitation by reciting hook and loop fasteners. Accordingly the entire group of claims 4-15, 17-19, 21-25, 27, 32-34 and 38-41 fall within the elected species relating to adjustability.

The traverse to the original restriction requirement is hereby restated to the extent set forth in the April 25 Response.

The Examiner is encouraged to telephone the undersigned to resolve any issues which would advance this application to issue.

Respectfully submitted,

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